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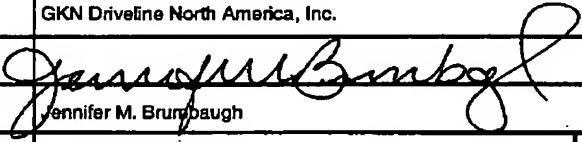
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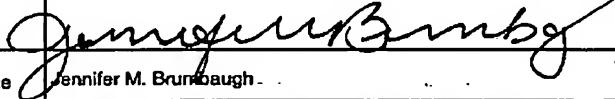
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Dear Examiner Binda:

Applicants submit this Amendment and Request for Reconsideration in response to the Office Action dated November 3, 2005. This response is being submitted within the three month period allowed for a response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.